

THIRTEENTH DAY.

(Wednesday, January 28, 1925.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Satterwhite.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Acker.	Jacks.
Albritton.	Jasper.
Alexander	Johnson.
of Bastrop.	Jones.
Alexander	Justice.
of Limestone.	Kayton.
Atkinson.	Kenyon.
Avis.	Kinnear.
Baker of Orange.	Kittrell.
Baker of Panola.	Laird.
Barker.	Lane of Hamilton.
Barron.	Lane of Harrison.
Bartlett.	Lipscomb.
Bateman.	Loftin.
Bean.	Low.
Bird.	Mankin.
Blount.	Masterson.
Bobbitt.	McDonald.
Boggs.	McDougald.
Bonham.	McFarlane.
Brown.	McGill.
Bryant.	McKean.
Cade.	McNatt.
Chitwood.	Merritt.
Coffey.	Montgomery.
Conway.	Moore.
Coody.	Nicholson.
Covey.	Parish.
Cox of Lamar.	Pavlica.
Cox of Navarro.	Perdue.
Cummings.	Petsch.
Dale.	Poage.
Daniels.	Pool.
Davis of Dallas.	Pope.
Davis of Wqod.	Powell.
DeBerry.	Rawlins.
Dielmann.	Renfro.
Dinkle.	Rice.
Donnell.	Robinson.
Downs.	Rogers.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Rowell.
Durham.	Rowland.
Enderby.	Runge.
Faulk.	Sanford.
Fields.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Sheats.
Florence.	Simmons.
Frnka.	Sinks.
Graves.	Smith of Nueces.
Gray.	Smith of Travis.
Hagaman.	Smyth.
Hall.	Sparks.
Harman.	Stautzenberger.
Harper.	Stell.
High.	Stevens.
Hollowell.	Stout.
Hoskins.	Strong.
Hull.	Taylor.

Teer.
Thompson.
Tomme.
Veatch.
Walker.
Wallace.
Webb.

Wells.
Westbrook.
Wester.
Williamson.
Wilson.
Woodruff.
Young.

Absent.

Dunn of Falls.
Foster.
Houston.

Kemble.
Purl.

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.
Bedford.
Carter.
Dunlap.
Farrar.
Irwin.
Jordan.
King.

Maxwell.
McBride.
Pearce.
Raymer.
Simpson.
Stevenson.
Storey.
Wade.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leave of absence on account of important business:

Mr. McBride for today, on motion of Mr. Perdue.

Mr. Wade for today, on motion of Mr. Stell.

Mr. Westbrook for today, on motion of Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Simpson for today, on motion of Mr. Lane of Harrison.

Mr. Carter for today, on motion of Mr. McKean.

Mr. Storey for today, on motion of Mr. Loftin.

Mr. Pearce for today, on motion of Mr. Barker.

Mr. Bedford for today, on motion of Mr. Robinson.

Mr. Amsler for today, on motion of Mr. Sparks.

Mr. Jordan for today, on motion of Mr. Rawlins.

The following members were granted leave of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Stevenson for today, on motion of Mr. Chitwood.

Mr. Dunlap for today, on motion of Mr. Sanford.

Mr. Maxwell for this week, on motion of Mr. McFarlane.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read

severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Coffey:

H. B. No. 268, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the voluntary registration of land titles in this State, to prescribe the procedure, the duties of officers in relation thereto, the venue, the form of registration certificates and the recording thereof, for the appointment of examiners and fees to be charged in such proceedings."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Kittrell (by request):

H. B. No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3086, Chapter 10, Title 49, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 90, of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as now to be found under Article 3086 of Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, 1922 Supplement, or any new number that said article may have under any subsequent codification, if any, so as to provide that where no candidate for any State or district office in the first primary receives a majority of all the votes cast at such primary for such office, that then a sufficient number of the leading candidates so participating in said first primary, as in the aggregate have polled a majority of all votes cast at the first primary for any such office, shall have their names printed on the ballot in the second primary as candidates for such office; and that the candidate at the second primary receiving a majority of all the votes cast therein shall be declared the nominee, and if no candidate at the second primary receives a majority vote therein for any office, providing for the nomination to be determined under the preferential system of first and second choice votes."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Finlay:

H. B. No. 270, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Melvin Independent County Line School District lying in the counties of McCulloch and Concho in the State of Texas, defining the boundaries thereof, providing for a board of trustees thereof, placing said independent district under the control of the general laws governing independent districts, providing that no outstanding indebtedness of the Melvin County Line District be invalidated, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Alexander of Bastrop:

H. B. No. 271, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road system for Bastrop county, Texas; providing for the establishment of office of superintendent of public roads and bridges in said county; providing the manner of appointing such superintendent, prescribing his qualifications, term of office, salary and powers and duties with reference to the public roads and bridges, making the members of the commissioners court, in their respective precincts, and fixing their salary; prescribing the powers and duties of the commissioners court with reference to roads of overseers and persons liable to road duty in said county, and fixing the county judges' and commissioners' salary for serving as members of the commissioners court; providing for working county convicts on the public roads and bridges, and giving the commissioners court power to make rules and regulations therefor; and providing for the working of delinquent poll tax payers on the roads and bridges of said county; prescribing the manner in which the commissioners court may condemn land and material of whatsoever kind for road and bridge purposes; and providing that said court may accept donations of land, money, labor, teams, tools and all kinds of necessary property and material for road and bridge purposes; providing for the recovery of damages from any person who knowingly and wilfully destroys, injures, or misplaces any bridge, culvert, drains, sewer, ditch, signboard, mile post, or tile or anything of like character placed on any road for the benefit of same; giving the commissioners court power to transfer any surplus fund from one fund of the county to another and making certain exceptions thereto; providing that all fines, penalties and forfeitures collected by reason of any misdemeanor conviction shall be paid into the road and bridge fund of said county, explaining certain words and terms used in this law, and authorizing the commissioners court to refund all outstanding indebtedness incurred prior to March 1, 1925, for road and bridge purposes; providing that this act shall be cumulative of all general laws on the subject of roads and bridges when not in conflict herewith, and repealing all special road laws for Bastrop county, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Mr. Wilson, Mr. Florence and Mr. Kittrell:

H. B. No. 272, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring establishments, buildings or rooms where food is manufactured, cooked, prepared or stored, for sale, or sold, or distributed to the public, to be kept or maintained in a clean, healthful and sanitary condition, and defining what is meant by unclean, unhealthful and unsanitary conditions; requiring the doors, windows and other openings of such establishments, building, room or rooms, during the fly season, to be screened, unless adequately protected from flies, or other insects, by electric fans; making it unlawful to use or maintain a toilet, commode, urinal or other similar device in a room where food is manufactured, cooked, prepared, or stored, for sale, or sold, served or distributed to the public, and making it unlawful to use or maintain such toilet room which opens directly into a room where food is thus dealt in; making it unlawful for any person or persons to sleep or maintain living quarters in such rooms, and prohibiting persons affected with infectious or contagious disease or diseases from working therein; prescribing the duties and powers of State, county and city health officers; defining what is meant by food; making it unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, joint stock association or agent engaged in the business of compounding or preparing medicine to sell, offer to sell, expose for sale, or deliver for sale, for human consumption, any food cooked, or prepared, or delivered prepared by such person, persons, firm, corporation, joint stock association or agent in or on the establishment, building, place of business or room where such prescriptions are filled or such medicine is compounded or prepared, or delivered prepared, and making it unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, association or agent to sell, expose for sale, offer for sale, or to sell, any such food in the same establishment, building, place of business or room where such prescriptions are filled or such medicine is compounded or prepared or delivered prepared; prescribing a penalty; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Rice:

H. B. No. 273, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide pay for county judges for presiding over commissioners court

in counties having less than thirty-seven thousand inhabitants; providing that such judges shall not receive pay for more than one special term in each month; providing how such fees shall be in addition to and exclusive of all other fees and compensation paid county judges in such counties; providing that such fees shall not be considered in estimating the maximum fees received by county judges in such counties; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Gray:

H. B. No. 274, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize J. P. Dod to write and sign in duplicate the field notes for each of the subdivision field notes of the excess land recovered by the State of Texas in Dallam and Hartley counties from Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company, Ltd., et al., in the Fifty-third District Court of Travis county on April 26, 1924, as said surveys were made on the grounds by R. S. Dod, deceased, under appointment of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and adopting same as the legal survey, making the appropriation for compensating said Dod for writing said field notes and duplicate field notes are filed in the General Land Office and in said counties they shall have the same force and effect as if they had been written and signed by said original surveyor, R. S. Dod, or a county surveyor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

RELATING TO COMMITTEE ROOMS OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. Fields offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, That the Board of Control be and is hereby requested to provide for having vacated without unnecessary delay, and restored for use of the House, all the room space in the Capitol building west of the galleries originally set apart for and used as committee rooms.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

Mr. Fields moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 7 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to adopt and establish a 'Penal Code' and a 'Code of Criminal Procedure' for the State of Texas."

The bill was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Barron, further consideration of the bill was postponed until 10:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Lipscomb, House bill No. 257 was withdrawn from the Committee on Insurance and referred to the Committee on Labor.

INVITING CHAIRMAN OF CODIFY-
ING BOARD TO ADDRESS
THE HOUSE.

Mr. Barron offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chairman of the Board of the Codifying Commission be invited to address the House at 10:30 o'clock, January 29, on Senate bill No. 7.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.
Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all trial courts in this State before being authorized and empowered to impose any punishment or fine against another party for any alleged constructive contempt of said courts covering any alleged acts or conduct of said party, arising outside of and not in the presence of said courts, shall submit the issues of fact in such alleged constructive contempt to a jury of said courts as in civil cases, and the findings of said jury shall adjudge the party guilty of contempt as alleged, and declaring an emergency."

S. C. R. No. 12, In reference to having a joint session to hear Dr. Hamilton Holton on the League of Nations.

Respectfully,
MORRIS C. HANKINS,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 194 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 194, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay salaries of judges, and the support and maintenance of the Judicial Department of the State government for the two-year period beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Jacks offered the following amendment to the section of the bill relating to the Court of Civil Appeals, Fifth District:

Amend House bill No. 194, page 3, line 35, by inserting therein in lieu of line 35, the following to wit: "Two stenographers, \$2700—\$2700", and page 4, line 6, as follows: "Totals, \$23,000—\$23,000;" and page 11, line 13, "Court of Civil Appeals, Fifth District, \$23,000—\$23,000."

Mr. Wallace moved to table the amendment, and the motion to table was lost.

Question then recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—64.

Albritton.	Kittrell.
Alexander	Loftin.
of Bastrop.	Mankin.
Baker of Orange.	Masterson.
Barker.	McDonald.
Barron.	McDougald.
Bartlett.	McKean.
Bateman.	McNatt.
Bird.	Merritt.
Bobbitt.	Nicholson.
Brown.	Perdue.
Cade.	Petsch.
Coffey.	Pope.
Dielmann.	Purl.
Dinkle.	Rawlins.
Donnell.	Renfro.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Rice.
Enderby.	Rogers.
Faulk.	Rowell.
Florence.	Rowland.
Frnka.	Runge.
Hagaman.	Shearer.
Harman.	Sheats.
Hollowell.	Simmons.
Hull.	Smith of Nueces.
Jacks.	Smith of Travis.
Jasper.	Stautzenberger.
Johnson.	Stell.
Kenyon.	Strong.
Kinnear.	Taylor.

Tomme.
Walker.
Webb.

Wells.
Wester.
Wilson.

Nays—49.

Atkinson.	Hoskins.
Avis.	Jones.
Baker of Panola.	Kayton.
Bean.	Laird.
Boggs.	Lane of Hamilton.
Bryant.	Lane of Harrison.
Chitwood.	Low.
Conway.	McFarlane.
Coody.	McGill.
Covey.	Moore.
Cox of Navarro.	Parish.
Dale.	Pavlicá.
Daniels.	Poage.
Davis of Dallas.	Powell.
Davis of Wood.	Robinson.
DeBerry.	Sinks.
Downs.	Sparks.
Dunn of Falls.	Stevens.
Fields.	Stout.
Finlay.	Thompson.
Graves.	Veatch.
Gray.	Wallace.
Hall.	Williamson.
Harper.	Woodruff.
High.	Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Alexander
of Limestone.

Justice.

Absent.

Acker.	Kemble.
Blount.	Lipscomb.
Bonham.	Montgomery.
Cox of Lamar.	Pool.
Cummings.	Sanford.
Durham.	Smyth.
Foster.	Teer.
Houston.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McBride.
Bedford.	Pearce.
Carter.	Raymer.
Dunlap.	Simpson.
Farrar.	Stevenson.
Irwin.	Storey.
Jordan.	Wade.
King.	Westbrook.
Maxwell.	

Mr. Jacks moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Rawlins offered the following amendment to this section of the bill:

Amend House bill No. 194, Re Court of Civil Appeals, Fifth District of Dallas, page 3, by adding:

"For rebinding books, \$500 or so much thereof as may be necessary; replacing lost volumes, \$500 or so much thereof as may be necessary."

Signed—Rawlins, Bateman.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Rowell offered the following amendment to the section of the bill relating to Court of Civil Appeals, Sixth District:

Amend House bill No. 194 by substituting "\$2500" for "\$100", page 4, line 17, for first year; by inserting between lines 18 and 19: "for rugs and floor covering, \$500", first year; by substituting "\$250" for "\$100", page 4, line 27, first year.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Poage offered the following amendment to the section relating to the Court of Civil Appeals, Tenth District:

Amend House bill No. 194 by striking out the figures "\$500", in line 25, on page 6, in the column headed 1926, and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1000"; and striking out the figures "\$500", in said line 25, on page 6, in the column headed 1927, and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1000"; and by striking out the figures "\$23,175", in line 23, on page 11, in the column headed 1926, and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "\$23,675"; and by striking out "\$23,175", in said line 23, on page 11, in the column headed 1927, and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "\$23,675"; and by striking out the two sums "\$23,175", in each column, in line 33, page 6, and inserting in lieu thereof in each column the sum of "\$23,675."

Signed—Poage, Bartlett, Harman.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. McFarlane offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 194 by striking out line 40, page 9, and lines 1, 2, 3, and 4 on page 10 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The appropriations herein provided for are to be construed as the maximum sums to be appropriated to and for the several purposes named herein, and no deficiency shall be created and no warrant shall be issued and no expenditures shall be made, nor shall any obligations be incurred, which added to the actual expenditures, will exceed the amounts herein appropriated for either of said purposes.

"That if any work be not done or the place not filled by the appointment of a person for whom a salary is herein fixed, then such salary shall lapse and be returned to or left in the State

Treasury; and provided further, that no person for whom any salary is herein fixed shall be allowed to draw more than the amount of such salary from any other salary or amount herein fixed or from any fees authorized to be charged or from any other source or from any State fund or funds under the control of the governing authority of such particular court; and provided further, that if any amount herein fixed for any particular purpose be not used for such purpose in whole or in part the unused portion of such fixed amount shall be returned to or left in the State Treasury.

"Fees shall be fixed, charged and collected from book companies, litigants, and their attorneys and all others for copies of opinions of the court made or furnished by said court or the clerk, stenographers or other employes thereof, and fees shall be fixed, charged and collected for all other services rendered by said court, the clerk, stenographers or other employes to book companies, litigants and their attorneys and all others not now furnished or required to be furnished free of charge, and all of said fees and charges, when collected, shall be paid into the Treasury of the State of Texas, and it shall be the duty of the clerk of said court to make a report to the Comptroller monthly, showing the amount of the fees collected for the preceding month from all sources."

On motion of Mr. Blount, the amendment was tabled.

House bill No. 194 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 194 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Sanford moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 194 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—117.

Acker.	Blount.
Albritton.	Bobbitt.
Alexander	Boggs.
of Bastrop.	Bonham.
Alexander	Bryant.
of Limestone.	Cade.
Avis.	Chitwood.
Baker of Orange.	Coffey.
Barker.	Conway.
Barron.	Coody.
Bartlett.	Covey.
Bateman.	Cox of Lamar.
Bean.	Cox of Navarro.
Bird.	Cummings.

Dale.	Montgomery.
Daniels.	Moore.
Davis of Dallas.	Nicholson.
DeBerry.	Parish.
Dielmann.	Pavlica.
Dinkle.	Petsch.
Donnell.	Poage.
Downs.	Pope.
Dunn of Falls.	Powell.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Purl.
Durham.	Rawlins.
Faulk.	Renfro.
Fields.	Rice.
Finlay.	Robinson.
Florence.	Rogers.
Foster.	Rowell.
Frnka.	Rowland.
Graves.	Runge.
Gray.	Sanford.
Hagaman.	Shearer.
Hall.	Sheats.
Harman.	Simmons.
Harper.	Sinks.
High.	Smith of Nueces.
Hollowell.	Smith of Travis.
Hoskins.	Smyth.
Hull.	Sparks.
Jacks.	Stautzenberger.
Jasper.	Stell.
Jones.	Stevens.
Justice.	Stout.
Kemble.	Strong.
Kenyon.	Teer.
Kinnear.	Thompson.
Lane of Hamilton.	Tomme.
Lane of Harrison.	Veatch.
Loftin.	Walker.
Mankin.	Wallace.
Masterson.	Webb.
McDonald.	Wells.
McDougald.	Westbrook.
McFarlane.	Wester.
McGill.	Williamson.
McKean.	Wilson.
McNatt.	Woodruff.
Merritt.	Young.

Nays—4.

Atkinson.	Laird.
Davis of Wood.	Perdue.

Absent.

Baker of Panola.	Kittrell.
Brown.	Lipscomb.
Enderby.	Low.
Houston.	Pool.
Johnson.	Taylor.
Kayton.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	Irwin.
Bedford.	Jordan.
Carter.	King.
Dunlap.	Maxwell.
Farrar.	McBride.

Pearce.
Raymer.
Simpson.

Stevenson.
Storey.
Wade.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 194 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed.

BILL SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and its caption had been read, the following enrolled bill:

S. B. No. 62, "An Act vesting in the State of Texas for the benefit of the Texas State Railroad to the exclusion of all other governmental agencies of the State and the United States, title to all steel rail now upon the roadbed of the Texas State Railroad, and allotted to the State of Texas by the United States from the surplus war materials of the Federal government at the end of the late war; and providing that sale or other disposition of such Texas State Railroad, under authority of law, shall pass title to such steel rail as against all other State agencies, and declaring an emergency."

HOUSE BILL NO. 150 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 150, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the New Home Independent School District, in Lynn county, Texas, out of territory now comprising the New Home Common School District No. 12, in Lynn county, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees thereof, and defining their powers and authority; authorizing such board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds therefor; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and board of equalization for said district; providing for the validation of all outstanding obligations and indebtedness of the said New Home Common School District No. 12, especially validating the bond election held in said New Home Common School District No. 12, and all orders in pursuance thereof, said election being held on the 5th day of July, A. D. 1924, making the bonds issued in pursuance of said election valid and binding and indebtedness by the New Home Independent School District; validating and continuing in force all taxes and bonds heretofore issued or ordered issued and voted, and all taxes and

bonds that are now in force in said district; providing that the title to all property in said territory be divested out of the New Home Common School District No. 12 and vested in New Home Independent School District, as created by this act; providing for the election and terms of office of trustees of said district, and filling vacancies on said board; providing for a seal for said district; providing that said trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any portion of this act shall not invalidate any remaining portions, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Acker.	Hagaman.
Albritton.	Hall.
Alexander	Harper.
of Bastrop.	High.
Alexander	Hollowell.
of Limestone.	Hoskins.
Atkinson.	Hull.
Avis.	Jacks.
Baker of Orange.	Jasper.
Barker.	Johnson.
Barron.	Jones.
Bartlett.	Justice.
Bateman.	Kayton.
Bean.	Kemble.
Bird.	Kinnear.
Bobbitt.	Laird.
Boggs.	Lane of Hamilton.
Bonham.	Lane of Harrison.
Bryant.	Low.
Chitwood.	Mankin.
Coffey.	Masterson.
Conway.	McDonald.
Covey.	McDougald.
Cox of Lamar.	McFarlane.
Cox of Navarro.	McKean.
Cummings.	McNatt.
Dale.	Merritt.
Davis of Wood.	Montgomery.
DeBerry.	Moore.
Dielmann.	Nicholson.
Dinkle.	Parish.
Donnell.	Pavlica.
Downs.	Perdue.
Dunn of Falls.	Petsch.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Poage.
Durham.	Pope.
Enderby.	Powell.
Fields.	Rawlins.
Finlay.	Renfro.
Foster.	Rice.
Frnka.	Robinson.
Graves.	Rogers.
Gray.	Rowell.

Rowland.	Strong.
Runge.	Taylor.
Sanford.	Thompson.
Shearer.	Tomme.
Sheats.	Walker.
Simmons.	Wallace.
Sinks.	Webb.
Smith of Nueces.	Wells.
Smyth.	Westbrook.
Sparks.	Wester.
Stautzenberger.	Williamson.
Stell.	Wilson.
Stevens.	Young.
Stout.	

Nays—1.

Coody.

Absent.

Baker of Panola.	Kittrell.
Blount.	Lipscomb.
Brown.	Loftin.
Cade.	McGill.
Daniels.	Pool.
Davis of Dallas.	Purl.
Faulk.	Smith of Travis.
Florence.	Teer.
Harman.	Veatch.
Houston.	Woodruff.
Kenyon.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	Maxwell.
Bedford.	McBride.
Carter.	Pearce.
Dunlap.	Raymer.
Farrar.	Simpson.
Irwin.	Stevenson.
Jordan.	Storey.
King.	Wade.

ADDITION TO STANDING COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. Dinkle, by unanimous consent, Mr. Webb was added to the Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Kinnear gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask that House bill No. 63 be taken up for consideration.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the House, at 12:25 o'clock p. m., took recess to 3 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 3 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. DeBerry, the following local school bills were ordered not printed:

House bills Nos. 214, 235, 165, and Senate bills Nos. 47, 48, 49, 34 and 50.

HOUSE BILL NO. 14 ON ENGROSSMENT.

The Speaker laid before the House, as postponed business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 14, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and prohibit bucket shops and dealings therein; to regulate contracts for future delivery of cotton, etc.; to declare under what conditions such contracts shall be valid; to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal Articles 536 and 537 of Chapter 2, Title 11, and all of Chapter 3, of Title 11, of the Revised Penal Code of the State of Texas,"

The bill having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Hall offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 3, line 10, by adding after the word "commodities," "where it is not the bona fide intention of parties that the things mentioned therein are to be delivered but."

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 14 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 6 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring fish and other aquatic animal life contained in the fresh water rivers, creeks and streams and in lakes or sloughs subject to overflow from rivers or streams within the borders of this State, and in the public rivers, bayous, lagoons, creeks, lakes, bays and inlets of this State, and all that part of the Gulf of Mexico within the jurisdiction of this State are the property of the people of the State; providing for angler's license, the form, the issuance thereof, and the fees and commissions for same; declaring persons required to purchase angler's license and penalties for failure to procure or exhibit the same, with exceptions; providing for an angler's license fund, its use, care and

distribution; defining citizens of this State, an alien and a non-resident; defining an angler, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Wells, the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 13 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 13, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the marriage of any person infected with syphilis, gonococcus infection or chancroid; requiring the male applicant for marriage license to submit certificate of any reputable practicing physician in this State showing applicant to be free from disease; fixing the maximum fee for examination; providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Lane of Harrison offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 13 below the enacting clause by adding after the word "imprisonment," Section 7, page 2, line 7, the following: "in the county jail."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 13, page 1, line 9, after the word "male" and wherever it occurs in the bill insert the words "and female."

Mr. Lane of Harrison moved to table the amendment.

The motion to table was lost.

Question then recurring on the amendment, it was adopted.

Mr. Bean offered the following amendment to the bill:

Also, in Section 4, amend by striking out the words and figures "two dollars (\$2)", and insert in lieu thereof the words and figures "ten dollars (\$10)".

Mr. Baker of Orange moved to table the amendment, and the motion to table was lost.

Question recurring on the amendment, it was lost.

Mr. Dielmann offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 13 by striking out the enacting clause.

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—77.

Albritton.	Kinnear.
Atkinson.	Laird.
Avis.	Lane of Hamilton.
Baker of Orange.	Lane of Harrison.
Baker of Panola.	Loftin.
Barker.	Low.
Barron.	Mankin.
Bartlett.	Masterson.
Bateman.	McDonald.
Bedford.	McGill.
Bird.	McKean.
Boggs.	McNatt.
Cade.	Merritt.
Chitwood.	Moore.
Coody.	Nicholson.
Covey.	Parish.
Cox of Lamar.	Pavlica.
Cummings.	Petsch.
Dale.	Pool.
Daniels.	Purl.
DeBerry.	Rawlins.
Donnell.	Renfro.
Downs.	Rice.
Dunn of Falls.	Rogers.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Rowland.
Fields.	Runge.
Florence.	Sheats.
Foster.	Sinks.
Frnka.	Smith of Nueces.
Graves.	Sparks.
Hagaman.	Stell.
Hall.	Stevens.
Hollowell.	Stout.
Joskins.	Thompson.
Jacks.	Webb.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
Jones.	Wester.
Justice.	Wilson.
Kayton.	Young.

Nays—37.

Acker.	Kittrell.
Alexander	McDougald.
of Bastrop.	McFarlane.
Amsler.	Perdue.
Bean.	Poage.
Bonham.	Pope.
Bryant.	Powell.
Coffey.	Robinson.
Conway.	Shearer.
Cox of Navarro.	Simmons.
Durham.	Smith of Travis.
Enderby.	Stautzenberger.
Faulk.	Strong.
Finlay.	Taylor.
Gray.	Teer.
Harman.	Tomme.
Harper.	Veatch.
High.	Wallace.
Jasper.	Williamson.
Kenyon.	

Absent.

Alexander	Blount.
of Limestone.	Bobbitt.

Brown.	Lipscomb.
Davis of Dallas.	Montgomery.
Davis of Wood.	Rowell.
Dielmann.	Sanford.
Dinkle.	Smyth.
Houston.	Walker.
Hull.	Wells.
Kemble.	Woodruff.

Absent—Excused.

Carter.	McBride.
Dunlap.	Pearce.
Farrar.	Raymer.
Irwin.	Simpson.
Jordan.	Stevenson.
King.	Storey.
Maxwell.	Wade.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay salaries of judges, and the support and maintenance of the Judicial Department of the State government for the two-year period, beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

S. B. No. 77, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing cities and towns to establish and maintain municipal bands, and to appropriate funds of the municipality for that purpose; providing for referendum elections by the qualified property taxpaying voters of cities and towns to determine whether or not such band shall be established and maintained; authorizing the governing body of cities and towns to pass ordinances and resolutions and enter into contracts for the organization, maintenance, operation and control of such bands; exempting charters already existing from the provisions hereof; repealing laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

S. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation out of the State Treasury of the State's portion of the compensation to be paid by the State and the United States government to owners of live stock destroyed to eradicate and prevent disease among live stock in this State," with amendments.

S. B. No. 21, A bill to be entitled "An Act adding to Chapter 17, of Harris

County Road Law, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, a new section, to be known as Section 5a, authorizing the commissioners court of Harris county, Texas, for the purpose of properly laying out all roads and superintending their maintenance, to purchase automobiles for the use of commissioners when acting as road supervisors, under appropriate regulations of said court, and providing for reports thereon to the auditor, and limiting the amount to be expended therefor, and providing for the marking of said cars and a penalty for failure to mark, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MORRIS C. HANKINS,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 46, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any private corporation for profit, hereafter or heretofore organized under the laws of this State, other than corporations authorized to conduct a banking or insurance business, to issue shares of its stock without nominal or par value, in such classes, with such preferences and for such consideration as may be prescribed and specifying the form of certificate for such stock; and providing for filing with Secretary of State statement showing total shares of all stock to be issued, classes thereof and actual consideration received by the corporation for shares issued without nominal or par value; and providing for not less than 10 per cent of authorized number of said shares to be subscribed and paid for; and providing for payment to the State of filing fees and franchise tax on stock without nominal or par value and determining the basis for computing such fees and tax; and providing for constituting outstanding shares of stock with nominal or par value into shares without nominal or par value and regulating and prescribing the method thereof; exempting corporations issuing shares without nominal or par value from provisions of Articles 1125 to 1130, inclusive, and Article 1141 of Revised Civil Statutes; and providing a penalty for a refusal or

failure to make and file any report or certificate required by this act; and providing the privileges and powers of this act shall be in addition to and not in restriction or limitation of those now conferred by law, and that invalidity of part of this act shall not affect or impair other provisions, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Ben Bolt Independent School District in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries, providing a board of seven trustees, and for the election of their successors; investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by general laws for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district, authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes; authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy, and the assessor to assess, and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and giving the electors of said district the right to vote in the election for county board members, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 108, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Jarrell Common School District No. 12 in Nueces county, Texas, by redefining the boundaries of and adding to said Jarrell Common School District certain territory lying north of and adjacent to Jarrell Common School District, and now embraced in the Petronila Common School District No. 7 in Nueces county, Texas, and providing that the entire Jarrell Common School District No. 12 as herein created, may, by an election held for that purpose, assume and become liable for all legal indebtedness properly chargeable to that portion of said district formerly belonging to Petronila Common School District No. 7 and provided for by the provisions of this act; and providing for the issuance of bonds and the levy of a tax therefor, and providing for levy of maintenance tax for support of the public schools within said district as authorized under the general laws of this State; continuing in office the present trustees until the next regular trustee election; providing for election of trustees and conferring upon said trustees all the rights, powers, duties and authority conferred upon common school district trustees by the general

laws of Texas; validating all bonds heretofore issued and all tax heretofore voted; repealing all laws in conflict herewith in so far as they conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 111, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Palito Blanco Independent School District in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing a board of five trustees, and for the election of their successors; investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by the general laws for school districts incorporated for free schools purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district; authorizing the levy and collecting of taxes for certain purposes; authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy, and the assessor to assess, and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and giving the electors of said district the right to vote in the election for county board members, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 29 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 29, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent untrue and damaging statements in reference to banks, banking institutions, trust companies, surety companies, guaranty companies, title insurance companies, or other financial institutions; providing the necessary penalties to accomplish such purpose, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Pool, the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 23 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 23, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the lights and lighting and operation of motor vehicles, tractors, trailers, semi-trailers, motorcycles and bicycles in this State; prescribing the lights for such vehicles between the hours of half-hour after sunset and half-hour before sunrise; enact-

ing the necessary penal provisions as to lights for such vehicles and headlight devices and headlight equipment for such vehicles; providing for tests and approval of headlighting devices and equipment; prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Cummings moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until 4:30 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Williamson moved as a substitute that the bill be postponed until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Question first recurring on the motion of Mr. Williamson, it prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 77 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 77, A bill to be entitled "An Act placing a closed season of three years on wild turkey in the counties of Bexar, Comal and Guadalupe; providing a penalty for the violation of same; repealing all laws in conflict herewith."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Masterson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill in line 15, striking out the word "and", after the word "Comal," and add after the word "Guadalupe," the following, "Brazoria and Matagorda."

Mr. Baker of Orange offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend House bill No. 77, line 14, after word turkey add "within the State of Texas", in lieu of Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Brazoria and Matagorda counties.

Mr. Cade moved to table the substitute amendment, and the motion to table was lost.

Question then recurring on the substitute, it was adopted.

Question then recurring on the amendment as substituted, it was adopted.

Mr. Masterson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 77, in line 19, by adding after the word "dollars", where it occurs the second time in said line, the following, "or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten days or more than thirty days or by both such fine and imprisonment."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 77 by striking out the enacting clause.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Williamson moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted, and asked to have the motion to reconsider spread on the Journal.

Mr. Wells called up the motion to reconsider, and moved to table the motion.

The motion to table was lost.

SENATE BILL NO. 67 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 67, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 32, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, the same being entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 8, Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, the same being entitled, "An Act to aid the city of Galveston in elevating and raising said city so as to protect it from calamitous overflows by donating and granting to it the State ad valorem taxes and a part of the occupation and poll taxes collected on property and from persons in Galveston county for a period of fifteen years, and provide a penalty for their misapplication," by extending the provisions of said act for a period of ten years, from September 1, 1918,' by extending the provisions of said act for a period of ten years, from September 1, 1928."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

ADDRESS BY LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BARRY MILLER.

Mr. Strong offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Hon. Barry Miller, Lieutenant Governor, and former member of the House, is now within the bar of the House; therefore be it

Resolved, That Hon. Barry Miller be invited to address the House at this time.

Signed—Strong, Purl, Cummings.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Pool, Bobbitt and Strong.

The committee having performed their duty, Speaker Satterwhite presented Hon. Barry Miller.

Hon. Barry Miller then addressed the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 106 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 106, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2894, Revised Statutes of 1911, reducing the free school age to six years and removing the maximum limit of free school age."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 126 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 126, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Title 29, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, as amended by Chapter 80, General Laws, Regular Session, Thirty-eighth Legislature, relating to the auditing of books, records and accounts of district, county and precinct officers, agents and employes and institutions maintained by the county, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Harman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 126 by striking out after the number 1459b, in line 27, the following: "It shall be the duty of the commissioners court of every county affected by this article to have such an audit made at least once each year whether such arrangement can be made with other counties or not."

The amendment was lost.

House bill No. 126 was then finally passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 24 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 24, A bill to be entitled "An Act exempting from taxation institutions or organizations such as the Boy Scouts of America or local organizations of such a boy; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Purl offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 24 by including "Young Men's Hebrew Association" after Boy Scout, in line 16.

Mr. Wilson moved that the bill be re-

committed to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Runge, the motion to recommit was tabled.

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Purl, it was lost.

Mr. Dielmann offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 24 by striking out everything after the word "organization" in line 13 to the end of the line, and everything after the word "charity" in line 16, up to and including the word "organization" in line 17.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 24 was then passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILL NO. 34 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 34, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Acuff Independent School District in Lubbock county, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, power, duties and authority; authorizing said board to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and for a board of equalization; providing that the Acuff Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all valid outstanding obligations and indebtedness of Acuff Common School District No. 16 in Lubbock county, Texas; validating and continuing in force all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in said Acuff Common School District No. 16; providing the title to all property now vested in Acuff Common School District No. 16 shall, on the passage of this act, be vested in Acuff Independent School District as herein created; providing for filling vacancies in the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees of said district shall in all things be governed by the general laws of Texas relating to independent school districts in matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining portion or provisions, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 47 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 25 of Gaines county, Texas, and validating an issue of bonds heretofore voted by said district; defining the powers of the county board of school trustees of Gaines county in respect to said district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 48 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 11 of Gaines county, and validating an issue of bonds heretofore voted by said district; defining the powers of the county board of school trustees of Gaines county in respect to said district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 49 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 49, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 26 of Gaines county, Texas, and validating an issue of bonds heretofore voted by said district; defining the powers of the county board of school trustees of Gaines county in respect to said district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 50 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 27 of Gaines county, and validating an issue of bonds heretofore voted by said district; defining the powers of

the county board of school trustees of Gaines county in respect to said district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 51 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 51, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Wells Independent School District in Lynn county, Texas, out of territory now composing the Wells Common School District No. 25 in Lynn county, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees therefor and thereof, and defining their powers and authority; authorizing such board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds therefor; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equalization for said district; providing for the validation of all outstanding obligations and indebtedness of the said Wells Common School District No. 25, and the assumption of all such obligations and indebtedness by the Wells Independent School District; validating and continuing in force all taxes and bonds that are now in force in said district; providing that the title for all property in said district be divested out of Wells Common School District No. 25 and vested in Wells Independent School District as created by this act; providing for the election and terms of office of the trustees of said district and filling vacancies on said board; providing for a seal for said district; providing that said trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any portion of this act shall not invalidate any remaining portions, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—105.

Acker.	Baker of Panola.
Albritton.	Barker.
Alexander	Barron.
of Bastrop.	Bartlett.
Amsler.	Bateman.
Atkinson.	Bean.
Avis.	Bedford.
Baker of Orange.	Bird.

Boggs.	Masterson.
Bonham.	McDonald.
Brown.	McDougald.
Bryant.	McFarlane.
Coffey.	McGill.
Conway.	McNatt.
Coody.	Merritt.
Covey.	Montgomery.
Cox of Lamar.	Moore.
Cox of Navarro.	Parish.
Dale.	Pavlica.
Daniels.	Perdue.
Davis of Dallas.	Poage.
Davis of Wood.	Pool.
DeBerry.	Pope.
Dielmann.	Powell.
Dinkle.	Purl.
Donnell.	Renfro.
Dunn of Falls.	Robinson.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Rowell.
Enderby.	Rowland.
Fields.	Runge.
Finlay.	Shearer.
Florence.	Sheats.
Foster.	Simmons.
Frnka.	Sinks.
Graves.	Smith of Nueces.
Gray.	Smith of Travis.
Hagaman.	Smyth.
Hall.	Sparks.
Harman.	Stautzenberger.
Harper.	Stevens.
High.	Stout.
Hoskins.	Taylor.
Jacks.	Thompson.
Jasper.	Tomme.
Johnson.	Veatch.
Jones.	Walker.
Justice.	Wallace.
Kayton.	Webb.
Kemble.	Westbrook.
Laird.	Wester.
Lane of Hamilton.	Williamson.
Lane of Harrison.	Wilson.
Lipcomb.	Woodruff.
Mankin.	Young.

Nays—1.

Hollowell.

Present—Not Voting.

Rawlins.

Absent.

Alexander	Kittrell.
of Limestone.	Loftin.
Blount.	Low.
Bobbitt.	McKean.
Cade.	Nicholson.
Chitwood.	Petsch.
Cummings.	Rice.
Downs.	Rogers.
Durham.	Sanford.
Faulk.	Stell.
Houston.	Strong.
Hull.	Teer.
Kenyon.	Wells.
Kinnear.	

Absent—Excused.

Carter.	McBride.
Dunlap.	Pearce.
Farrar.	Raymer.
Irwin.	Simpson.
Jordan.	Stevenson.
King.	Storey.
Maxwell.	Wade.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Kenyon gave notice that he would, on tomorrow, ask that House bill No. 114 be taken up for consideration at that time.

HOUSE BILL NO. 165 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 165, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Dixie Independent School District in Lynn county, Texas, out of territory now comprising Common School District No. 18, of Lynn county, as heretofore created by the county board of school trustees of said county; defining boundary thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualification, powers, duties and authority; authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes, and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equalization; providing that said Dixie Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all indebtedness constituting valid and binding obligations of said Common School District No. 18 of Lynn county; validating and continuing in force any and all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in such common school district; providing that title to any and all property of said common school district shall vest in the trustees of independent school district hereby created; providing for filling vacancies on the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any section or provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining provisions hereof, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Wester offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 165 by striking out "Section 4"; strike out the word "constitutional" in Section 8, line 12.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 165 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 165 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Wester moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 165 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Acker.	Johnson.
Albritton.	Jones.
Alexander	Kayton.
of Bastrop.	Kemble.
Amsler.	Kenyon.
Atkinson.	Kinnear.
Avis.	Laird.
Baker of Orange.	Lane of Hamilton.
Baker of Panola.	Lane of Harrison.
Barker.	Lipscomb.
Barron.	Loftin.
Bartlett.	Low.
Bateman.	Mankin.
Bean.	Masterson.
Bedford.	McDougald.
Bird.	McFarlane.
Boggs.	McGill.
Bryant.	McNatt.
Coffey.	Merritt.
Conway.	Montgomery.
Coody.	Moore.
Covey.	Parish.
Cox of Lamar.	Pavlica.
Cox of Navarro.	Perdue.
Cummings.	Poage.
Dale.	Pope.
Daniels.	Powell.
Davis of Dallas.	Purl.
Davis of Wood.	Rawlins.
Dielmann.	Renfro.
Dinkle.	Robinson.
Donnell.	Rowell.
Dunn of Falls.	Rowland.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Runge.
Enderby.	Shearer.
Fields.	Sheats.
Finlay.	Simmons.
Florence.	Sinks.
Foster.	Smith of Nueces.
Graves.	Smith of Travis.
Gray.	Smyth.
Hagaman.	Stautzenberger.
Hall.	Stout.
Harman.	Strong.
Harper.	Taylor.
High.	Thompson.
Hollowell.	Tomme.
Jacks.	Veatch.

Walker.
Wallace.
Webb.
Westbrook.

Wester.
Williamson.
Woodruff.
Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Wells.

Absent.

Alexander	Jasper.
of Limestone.	Justice.
Blount.	Kittrell.
Bobbitt.	McDonald.
Bonham.	McKean.
Brown.	Nicholson.
Cade.	Petsch.
Chitwood.	Pool.
DeBerry.	Rice.
Downs.	Rogers.
Durham.	Sanford.
Faulk.	Sparks.
Frnka.	Stell.
Hoskins.	Stevens.
Houston.	Teer.
Hull.	Wilson.

Absent—Excused.

Carter.	McBride.
Dunlap.	Pearce.
Farrar.	Raymer.
Irwin.	Simpson.
Jordan.	Stevenson.
King.	Storey.
Maxwell.	Wade.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 165 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Acker.	Cox of Navarro.
Albritton.	Cummings.
Alexander	Dale.
of Bastrop.	Daniels.
Amsler.	Davis of Dallas.
Atkinson.	Davis of Wood.
Avis.	Dielmann.
Baker of Orange.	Dinkle.
Baker of Panola.	Donnell.
Barker.	Dunn of Falls.
Barron.	Dunn of Hopkins.
Bartlett.	Enderby.
Bateman.	Fields.
Bean.	Finlay.
Bedford.	Florence.
Bird.	Foster.
Boggs.	Graves.
Bonham.	Gray.
Brown.	Hagaman.
Bryant.	Harman.
Coffey.	Harper.
Conway.	High.
Coody.	Hollowell.
Covey.	Hoskins.

Jacks.	Rawlins.
Jasper.	Renfro.
Johnson.	Robinson.
Jones.	Rowell.
Justice.	Rowland.
Kayton.	Runge.
Kemble.	Shearer.
Kenyon.	Sheats.
Kinnear.	Simmons.
Kittrell.	Sinks.
Laird.	Smith of Nueces.
Lane of Hamilton.	Smyth.
Lane of Harrison.	Sparks.
Lipscomb.	Stautzenberger.
Loftin.	Stevens.
Low.	Stout.
Mankin.	Strong.
Masterson.	Taylor.
McDougald.	Teer.
McGill.	Thompson.
McNatt.	Tomme.
Merritt.	Veatch.
Moore.	Walker.
Parish.	Wallace.
Pavlica.	Webb.
Perdue.	Westbrook.
Petsch.	Wester.
Poage.	Williamson.
Pool.	Wilson.
Pope.	Woodruff.
Powell.	Young.
Purl.	

Absent.

Alexander	Houston.
of Limestone.	Hull.
Blount.	McDonald.
Bobbitt.	McFarlane.
Cade.	McKean.
Chitwood.	Montgomery.
Cox of Lamar.	Nicholson.
DeBerry.	Rice.
Downs.	Rogers.
Durham.	Sanford.
Faulk.	Smith of Travis.
Frnka.	Stell.
Hall.	Wells.

Absent—Excused.

Carter.	McBride.
Dunlap.	Pearce.
Farrar.	Raymer.
Irwin.	Simpson.
Jordan.	Stevenson.
King.	Storey.
Maxwell.	Wade.

HOUSE BILL NO. 214 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 214, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Center Independent School District No. 5, in Hockley county, Texas; defining

the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing said board to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and for a board of equalization; providing that the Center Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all valid outstanding obligations and indebtedness of Ropes Independent School District No. 1, in Hockley county, Texas; validating and continuing in force all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in said Ropes Independent School District No. 1; providing that all property now vested in Ropes Independent School District No. 1, with its metes and bounds of Center Independent School District No. 5, as herein created; providing for filling vacancies in the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees of said district shall in all things be governed by the general laws of Texas relating to independent school districts in matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any provisions of this act shall not invalidate any remaining parts or provision, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. DeBerry offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 214 by striking out "Section 5"; strike out the word "constitutional" in Section 9, line 5.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 214 then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 214 ON THIRD
READING.

Mr. Wester moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 214 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Acker.	Bartlett.
Albritton.	Bateman.
Alexander	Bean.
of Bastrop.	Bedford.
Amsler.	Bird.
Atkinson.	Boggs.
Avis.	Bonham.
Baker of Panola.	Brown.
Barron.	Bryant.

Coffey.	McDougald.
Conway.	McFarlane.
Coody.	McGill.
Covey.	McNatt.
Cox of Lamar.	Merritt.
Cox of Navarro.	Montgomery.
Cummings.	Moore.
Dale.	Parish.
Daniels.	Pavlica.
Davis of Dallas.	Perdue.
Davis of Wood.	Poage.
DeBerry.	Pool.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Dinkle.	Powell.
Donnell.	Purl.
Downs.	Rawlins.
Dunn of Falls.	Renfro.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Robinson.
Enderby.	Rowell.
Fields.	Runge.
Finlay.	Sanford.
Foster.	Shearer.
Graves.	Sheats.
Gray.	Simmons.
Hagaman.	Sinks.
Harman.	Smith of Nueces.
Harper.	Smyth.
High.	Sparks.
Hollowell.	Stautzenberger.
Hoskins.	Stevens.
Jacks.	Stout.
Jasper.	Strong.
Jones.	Taylor.
Justice.	Teer.
Kayton.	Thompson.
Kemble.	Tomme.
Kenyon.	Veatch.
Kinnear.	Walker.
Laird.	Wallace.
Lane of Hamilton.	Webb.
Lane of Harrison.	Wells.
Lipscomb.	Westbrook.
Loftin.	Wester.
Low.	Williamson.
Mankin.	Wilson.
Masterson.	Woodruff.
McDonald.	Young.

Absent.

Alexander	Houston.
of Limestone.	Hull.
Baker of Orange.	Johnson.
Barker.	Kittrell.
Blount.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Nicholson.
Cade.	Petsch.
Chitwood.	Rice.
Durham.	Rogers.
Faulk.	Rowland.
Florence.	Smith of Travis.
Frnka.	Stell.
Hall.	

Absent—Excused.

Carter.	Farrar.
Dunlap.	Irwin.

Jordan.	Raymer.
King.	Simpson.
Maxwell.	Stevenson.
McBride.	Storey.
Pearce.	Wade.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 214 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—104.

Acker.	Lane of Hamilton.
Albritton.	Lane of Harrison.
Alexander	Lipscomb.
of Bastrop.	Loftin.
Atkinson.	Mankin.
Avis.	Masterson.
Baker of Panola.	McDonald.
Barker.	McDougald.
Barron.	McFarlane.
Bartlett.	McGill.
Bateman.	McKean.
Bean.	McNatt.
Bedford.	Merritt.
Boggs.	Montgomery.
Bonham.	Moore.
Brown.	Parish.
Bryant.	Pavlica.
Coffey.	Perdue.
Conway.	Poage.
Coody.	Pope.
Covey.	Powell.
Cox of Lamar.	Purl.
Cox of Navarro.	Rawlins.
Dale.	Renfro.
Daniels.	Robinson.
Davis of Dallas.	Rowell.
Davis of Wood.	Rowland.
DeBerry.	Runge.
Dielmann.	Shearer.
Dinkle.	Sheats.
Donnell.	Simmons.
Downs.	Sinks.
Dunn of Falls.	Smith of Nueces.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Smyth.
Enderby.	Sparks.
Fields.	Stautzenberger.
Finlay.	Stevens.
Foster.	Stout.
Graves.	Strong.
Gray.	Taylor.
Hagaman.	Teer.
Harman.	Thompson.
High.	Tomme.
Hollowell.	Walker.
Hoskins.	Wallace.
Jacks.	Webb.
Jones.	Westbrook.
Justice.	Wester.
Kayton.	Williamson.
Kemble.	Wilson.
Kenyon.	Woodruff.
Kinnear.	Young.
Laird.	

Absent.

Alexander	Hull.
of Limestone.	Jasper.
Baker of Orange.	Johnson.
Bird.	Kittrell.
Blount.	Low.
Bobbitt.	Nicholson.
Cade.	Petsch.
Chitwood.	Pool.
Cummings.	Rice.
Durham.	Rogers.
Faulk.	Sanford.
Florence.	Smith of Travis.
Frnka.	Stell.
Hall.	Veatch.
Harper.	Wells.
Houston.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McBride.
Carter.	Pearce.
Dunlap.	Raymer.
Farrar.	Simpson.
Irwin.	Stevenson.
Jordan.	Storey.
King.	Wade.
Maxwell.	

HOUSE BILL NO. 235 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 235, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Clauene Independent School District in Hockley county, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, term of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing said board to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and for a board of equalization; providing that the Clauene Independent School District No. 6 shall assume and discharge any and all valid outstanding obligations and indebtedness of Ropes Independent School District No. 1 within the metes and bounds of the said Clauene Independent School District No. 6 in Hockley county, Texas; validating and continuing in force all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in said Ropes Independent School District No. 1; providing that title to all property now vested in Ropes Independent School District No. 1 within the boundaries of the Clauene Independent School District No. 6 shall, on the passage of this act, vest in Clauene Independent School District as herein created; providing for filling vacancies in the board of trustees; providing for a

seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees of said district shall in all things be governed by the general laws of Texas relating to independent school districts in matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining portion or provision, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. DeBerry offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 235 by striking out "Section 5"; strike out the word "constitutional" in Section 5, line 4.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 235 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 235 ON THIRD
READING.

Mr. Wester moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 235 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Acker.	Donnell.
Albritton.	Dunn of Falls.
Alexander	Dunn of Hopkins.
of Bastrop.	Enderby.
Amsler.	Fields.
Atkinson.	Finlay.
Avis.	Florence.
Baker of Orange.	Foster.
Baker of Panola.	Frnka.
Barker.	Graves.
Barron.	Gray.
Bartlett.	Hagaman.
Bean.	Hall.
Bedford.	Harman.
Bird.	Harper.
Boggs.	High.
Bonham.	Hollowell.
Brown.	Hoskins.
Bryant.	Jacks.
Cade.	Johnson.
Coffey.	Jones.
Conway.	Justice.
Coody.	Kayton.
Covey.	Kenyon.
Cox of Lamar.	Kinnear.
Cox of Navarro.	Laird.
Cummings.	Lane of Hamilton.
Dale.	Lane of Harrison.
Daniels.	Lipscomb.
Davis of Dallas.	Loftin.
Davis of Wood.	Low.
DeBerry.	Masterson.
Dielmann.	McDonald.
Dinkle.	McDougald.

McFarlane.	Simmons.	Cox of Lamar.	McDougald.
McGill.	Sinks.	Cox of Navarro.	McFarlane.
McKean.	Smyth.	Cummings.	McNatt.
McNatt.	Sparks.	Dale.	Merritt.
Merritt.	Stautzenberger.	Daniels.	Moore.
Moore.	Stevens.	Davis of Dallas.	Parish.
Parish.	Stout.	Davis of Wood.	Pavlica.
Pavlica.	Strong.	DeBerry.	Perdue.
Perdue.	Teer.	Dielmann.	Petsch.
Petsch.	Thompson.	Dinkle.	Poage.
Poage.	Tomme.	Donnell.	Pool.
Pool.	Veatch.	Downs.	Pope.
Pope.	Walker.	Dunn of Falls.	Powell.
Powell.	Wallace.	Dunn of Hopkins.	Purl.
Purl.	Webb.	Enderby.	Rawlins.
Renfro.	Wells.	Finlay.	Renfro.
Robinson.	Westbrook.	Florence.	Robinson.
Rowell.	Wester.	Foster.	Rowell.
Rowland.	Williamson.	Frnka.	Runge.
Runge.	Wilson.	Graves.	Sanford.
Sanford.	Woodruff.	Gray.	Shearer.
Shearer.	Young.	Hagaman.	Sheats.
Sheats.		Hall.	Simmons.
	Absent.	Harman.	Sinks.
Alexander	Kemble.	Harper.	Smith of Nueces.
of Limestone.	Kittrell.	High.	Smyth.
Bateman.	Mankin.	Hollowell.	Stautzenberger.
Blount.	Montgomery.	Hoskins.	Stevens.
Bobbitt.	Nicholson.	Jacks.	Stout.
Chitwood.	Rawlins.	Jasper.	Strong.
Downs.	Rice.	Johnson.	Thompson.
Durham.	Rogers.	Jones.	Tomme.
Faulk.	Smith of Nueces.	Justice.	Veatch.
Houston.	Smith of Travis.	Kayton.	Walker.
Hull.	Stell.	Kemble.	Wallace.
Jasper.	Taylor.	Kenyon.	Webb.
		Kinnear.	Wells.
		Laird.	Westbrook.
		Lane of Hamilton.	Wester.
		Lane of Harrison.	Williamson.
		Lipscomb.	Wilson.
		Loftin.	Woodruff.
		Masterson.	Young.
		McDonald.	
			Absent.
		Alexander	Mankin.
		of Limestone.	McGill.
		Barron.	McKean.
		Bird.	Montgomery.
		Blount.	Nicholson.
		Chitwood.	Rice.
		Durham.	Rogers.
		Faulk.	Rowland.
		Fields.	Smith of Travis.
		Houston.	Sparks.
		Hull.	Stell.
		Kittrell.	Taylor.
		Low.	Teer.
			Absent—Excused.
		Carter.	King.
		Dunlap.	Maxwell.
		Farrar.	McBride.
		Irwin.	Pearce.
		Jordan.	Raymer.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 235 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Acker.	Bean.
Albritton.	Bedford.
Alexander	Bobbitt.
of Bastrop.	Boggs.
Amsler.	Bonham.
Atkinson.	Brown.
Avis.	Bryant.
Baker of Orange.	Cade.
Baker of Panola.	Coffey.
Barker.	Conway.
Bartlett.	Coody.
Bateman.	Covey.

Simpson.
Stevenson.

Storey.
Wade.

BILL RE-REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Blount, Senate bill No. 46 was withdrawn from the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 47 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 7542 and 7569 of Title 126, Chapter 12, Revised Civil Statutes of the States of Texas of 1911, relating to the time property shall be valued for taxation purposes; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 37, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent untrue and damaging statements in reference to banks, banking institutions, trust companies, surety companies, guaranty companies, title insurance companies or other financial institutions; providing the necessary penalties to accomplish such purpose, and declaring an emergency," with engrossed rider.

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bills Nos. 108, 109 and 111 to the Committee on School Districts.

Senate bill No. 77 to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

Senate bill No. 37 to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Senate bill No. 101 to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 21 to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

Senate bill No. 5 to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 46 to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

Senate bill No. 30 to the Judiciary Committee.

HOUSE BILL NO. 75 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 5 of the General Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature relative to occupation taxes on sales of gasoline so as to increase the amount of said occupation tax now existing, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed to engrossment?

ADDITION TO STANDING COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. Dielmann, by unanimous consent, Mr. Boggs was added to the Committee on Labor.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the House, at 5:10 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have today filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

School Districts—Senate bills Nos. 48, 47, 49, 50, 34; House bills Nos. 235, 165.

State Affairs—House bill No. 110.

Criminal Jurisprudence—House bills Nos. 67, 221, 49.

Judiciary—House bills Nos. 142, 143, 229, 228, 240, 62, 92.

Agriculture—House bill No. 163.

Revenue and Taxation—House bill No. 124.

Public Lands and Buildings—Senate bills Nos. 107, 230, 208.

The following committees have today filed adverse reports on bills as follows:

State Affairs—House bill No. 17.
 Judiciary—House bill No. 85.
 Reclamation and Conservation—House bill No. 144.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,
 Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 106, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2894, Revised Statutes of 1911, reducing the free school age to six years and removing the maximum limit of free school age,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
 ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
 Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 172, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Caddo Independent School District in Stephens county, Texas, including therein the present Caddo Common School District No. 10; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said independent school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas, and providing for a board of trustees to serve until the time for the next election of school trustees as provided by general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
 ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
 Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 126, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Title 29 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, as amended by Chapter 80, General Laws, Regular Session, Thirty-eighth Legislature, relating to the auditing of books, records and accounts of district, county and precinct

officers, agents and employes and institutions maintained by the county, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
 ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
 Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Liberty Independent School District in Bailey county, Texas, out of territory now comprising Common School District No. 3 of Bailey county, as heretofore created by the county board of trustees thereof, vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights and powers and privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; provided that the said Liberty Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all indebtedness constituting valid and binding obligations of said Common School District No. 3 of Bailey county; provided that title to any and all property of said common school district shall be vested in the trustees of independent school district hereby created; validating and continuing in force any and all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in such common school district; providing that the board of trustees of the existing school in said district shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected and qualified in accordance with the general laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
 ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
 Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act adding to and making a part of the Birome Independent School District of Hill county, Texas, certain lands and territory contiguous thereto, conferring upon the board of trustees of the said Birome district the authority and jurisdiction over such lands and territory and the inhabitants thereof as are prescribed in Chapter 22, Special

Laws of Texas, passed by the Thirty-third Legislature, Regular Session, creating the Birome Independent District, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating French Independent School District in Jefferson county, Texas; defining its boundaries; prescribing the manner of changing and modifying the boundaries of said school district; conferring upon said school district, except as otherwise provided in this act, all the rights, powers, privileges and duties as are conferred and imposed by the general laws of the State of Texas upon independent school districts; providing for a board of trustees to consist of five persons, and prescribing the qualifications and terms of office for members thereof; vesting said trustees and board of trustees, except as otherwise provided in this act, with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties as are conferred and imposed by the general laws of this State upon trustees and boards of trustees of independent school districts; vesting the management and control of the public free school in said school district in the board of trustees as provided in this act; providing for the election of a board of trustees and their successors in office; providing that said board of trustees shall be a body politic and corporate in law, and as such may contract and be contracted with, may sue and be sued, may plead and be impleaded, and may receive any gift, grant, donation or devise made to and for the use and benefit of the public free schools in said school district; vesting in said school district, its board of trustees and their successors in office with absolute title to all properties and school funds heretofore vested in, belonging to and accrued to the heretofore existing Common School District No. 5 of Jefferson county, Texas; validating all bond and maintenance taxes heretofore voted, authorized and levied in and for said heretofore existing school district and continuing the same in full force and effect until modified or abolished as provided

in this act; validating all bonds authorized, issued and assumed by and upon behalf of said heretofore existing school district; providing that this act shall not impair or invalidate any bonds, contracts, obligations and debts of said heretofore existing school district; providing that all bonds, contracts, obligations and indebtedness valid and binding obligations upon said school district as created by this act, and that same shall be assumed, paid off and discharged by this school district as created by this act; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and the compensation and fees that shall be paid thereunder; providing for a secretary of said board of trustees and the compensation to be paid thereunder; providing for suitable offices, books, furniture and office equipment for said secretary and said assessor and collector of taxes; providing for the transportation of school children; providing that this act shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be cumulative of all the general laws of the State of Texas, applicable to independent school districts, and that in case of conflict the provisions of this act will and shall control; repealing all laws of this State in so far as they are or may be in conflict with this act; providing that in case any clause, section or sections of this act shall be held by the courts to be unconstitutional or ineffective, such decision by the courts shall not affect or invalidate the remaining sections and provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 27, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 51, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Wells Independent School District in Lynn county, Texas, out of territory now composing the Wells Common School District No. 25 in Lynn county, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees therefor and thereof, and defining their powers and authority; authorizing such board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds therefor; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equaliza-

tion for said district; providing for the validation of all outstanding obligations and indebtedness of the said Wells Common School District No. 25, and the assumption of all such obligations and indebtedness by the Wells Independent School District; validating and continuing in force all taxes and bonds that are now in force in said district; providing that the title for all property in said district be divested out of Wells Common School District No. 25 and vested in Wells Independent School District as created by this act; providing for the election and terms of office of the trustees of said district and filling vacancies on said board; providing for a seal for said district; providing that said trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any portion of this act shall not invalidate any remaining portions, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.
ROWELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Eli Independent School District in Hall county, Texas, defining its metes and bounds, providing a board of trustees therefor, for raising revenue, issuing bonds, vesting it with the rights, powers and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws of the State of Texas; providing for the assumption of the outstanding bonds of the Eli Common School District, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
ROWELL, Chairman.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

(Thursday, January 29, 1925.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Satterwhite.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Acker.
Albritton.

Alexander
of Bastrop.

Alexander
of Limestone.
Atkinson.
Avis.
Baker of Orange.
Baker of Panola.
Barker.
Barron.
Bartlett.
Bateman.
Bean.
Bedford.
Bird.
Blount.
Bobbitt.
Boggs.
Bonham.
Brown.
Bryant.
Cade.
Carter.
Chitwood.
Coffey.
Conway.
Coody.
Covey.
Cox of Lamar.
Cox of Navarro.
Cummings.
Dale.
Daniels.
Davis of Dallas.
Davis of Wood.
DeBerry.
Dielmann.
Dinkle.
Donnell.
Downs.
Dunn of Falls.
Dunn of Hopkins.
Durham.
Enderby.
Farrar.
Fields.
Finlay.
Florence.
Foster.
Frnka.
Graves.
Gray.
Hagaman.
Hall.
Harman.
Harper.
High.
Hollowell.
Hoskins.
Irwin.
Jacks.
Jasper.
Johnson.
Jones.
Justice.
Kayton.
Kemble.
Kenyon.
King.

Kinnear.
Kittrell.
Laird.
Lane of Hamilton.
Lane of Harrison.
Lipscomb.
Loftin.
Low.
Mankin.
Masterson.
McBride.
McDonald.
McDougald.
McFarlane.
McGill.
McKean.
McNatt.
Merritt.
Montgomery.
Moore.
Nicholson.
Parish.
Pavlica.
Perdue.
Petsch.
Poage.
Pope.
Powell.
Purl.
Rawlins.
Renfro.
Rice.
Robinson.
Rogers.
Rowell.
Rowland.
Sanford.
Shearer.
Sheats.
Simmons.
Sinks.
Smith of Nueces.
Smith of Travis.
Smyth.
Sparks.
Stautzenberger.
Stell.
Stevens.
Stevenson.
Stout.
Strong.
Taylor.
Teer.
Thompson.
Tomme.
Veatch.
Wade.
Walker.
Wallace.
Webb.
Wells.
Westbrook.
Wester.
Williamson.
Wilson.
Woodruff.
Young.